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Westover Industrial Airparks

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Whether your firm is interested in shipping or receiving commodities by rail, the Springfield Terminal Railway Company can provide the service. A representative for the railroad will gladly custom-design a transportation package to meet the needs of your business. Company headquarters are nearby in Springfield, Vermont, and a professional agent is also available on site at Westover. Getting information on rail service at Westover is quick and easy. Simply contact the Springfield Terminal Railway agent who will determine the best possible route from the point of origin to final destination and the cost of shipping. Cars can be leased from STRC, from another railcar agent or purchased outright. If demand warrants, STRC can provide service seven days a week.

On its Westover spur, STRC operates a Whiting Trackmobile 4500. This unique form of motive power is capable of traveling on both rail and road, reducing switching time. The trackmobile also costs less to maintain than a conventional locomotive. This helps STRC keep prices down and deliveries moving swiftly. If needed, back-up locomotives are always available from the parent company. The track into Westover is in top-notch condition. Relocation of a portion of the spur is now being planned to make connections more convenient for current Airpark shippers and those who choose Westover in the future.

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Westover Airparks: New Opportunities

Rail service has a new look in the Pioneer Valley. Since the industry's deregulation in 1981, short line services have made a comeback, offering greater efficiency, personally tailored service, and competitive rates...even if you've mostly shipped by truck in the past.

Branchline service to Westover Airpark customers is provided by the Springfield Terminal Railway Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Boston and Maine Railroad. STRC has served the Airparks since 1982, the latest development in a long tradition of STRC service to the Pioneer Valley. Transporting freight on Westover's rail line means you'll work with a local agent who knows your needs.

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Airpark West-Chicopee

Airpark East - Ludlow

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"For mass...freight transportation, there is no substitute for railroads."
(Area Development magazine editorial, August 1981)

Rail : Competitive and Complementary

Rail service is just one of the many assets attracting business and industry to the Westover Industrial Airparks. Westover's location, at the crossroads of New England, offers access to a large and superior labor force, the expertise found in the region's nationally-recognized colleges and universities, a positive business climate created by innovative entrepreneurs, and a strong public-private sector partnership.

Westover's Industrial Airparks are being developed by a public, non-profit corporation, the Westover Metropolitan Development Corporation (WMDC). The WMDC, created in 1974, has been responsible for the development and sale of the approximately 1,100 acres of surplus land at Westover Air Force Base now available for commercial and industrial uses. Ideally located just minutes off the Massachusetts Turnpike in the City of Chicopee and the Town of Ludlow, Westover's Industrial Airparks offer convenient access to the expansive Massachusetts highway network. Likewise, Westover's aviation facilities are elaborate. Time Magazine has stated that Westover's 11,600 foot runway is the "only place north of Cape Canaveral...capable of landing the space shuttle" (Time, August 1982). The fact that Westover could accommodate the shuttle is an indication of the airport's great capacity and potential. Moreover, Westover is central to a regional market which boasts nearly 600,000 people within commuting distance. It is in close proximity to a scenic and diverse area with rejuvenated downtown hubs and the panoramic Berkshire Mountains.

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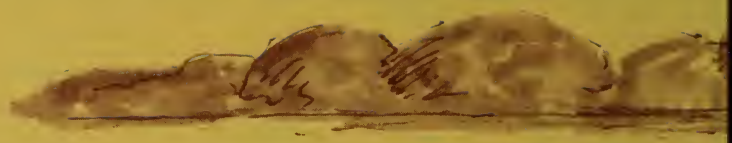

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